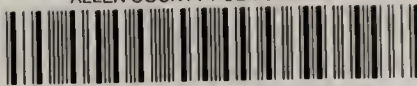




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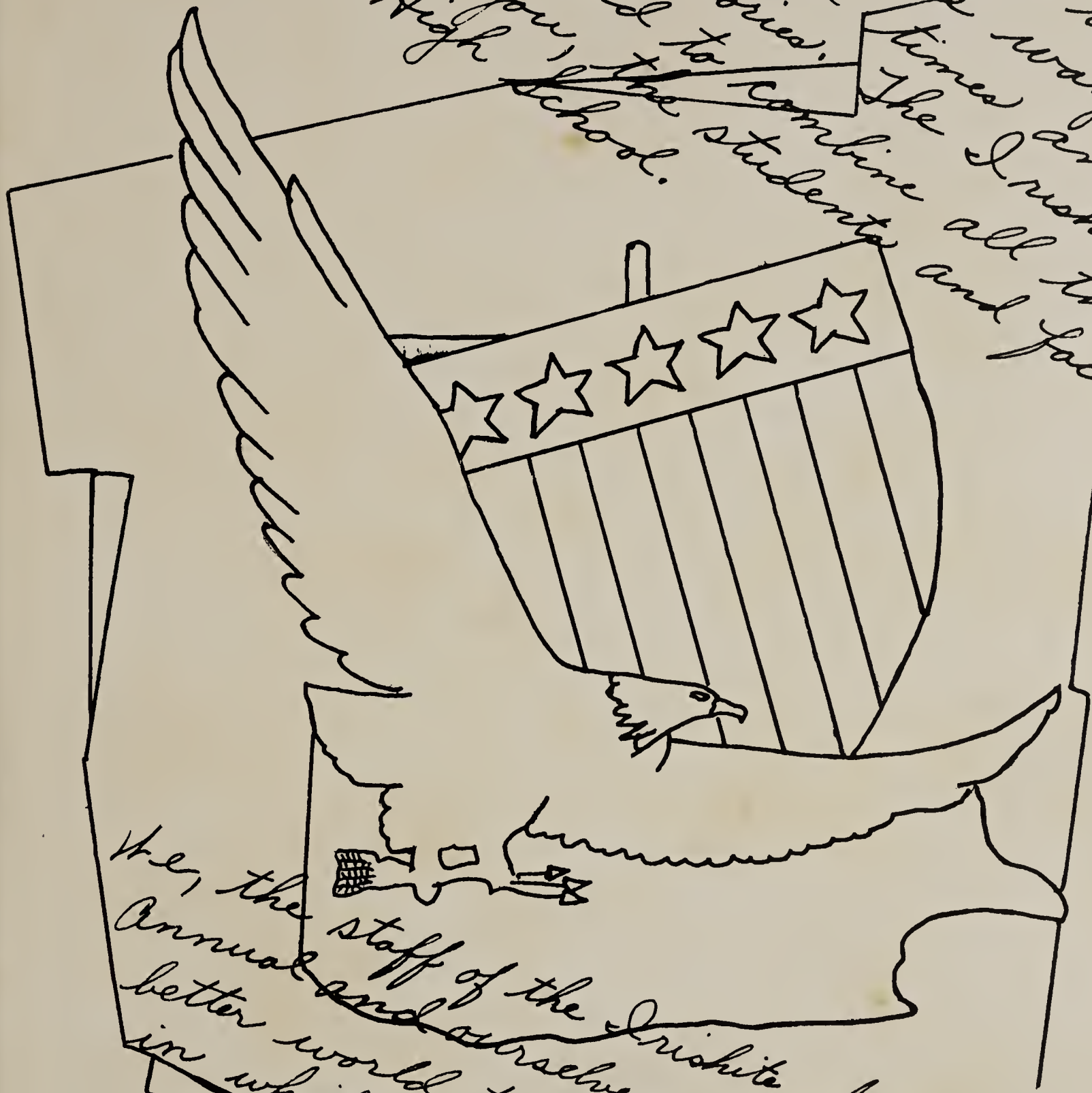
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The way to a diploma may be winding at times, but along the way are many eventful memories. The I. H. S. staff has tried to combine all this in the Annual for you, the students and faculty of Ireland High School.



Yes, the staff of the Irishite, dedicate this Annual and ourselves to make this a better world to live in. The trying times in which this class of 1951 graduated demand men and women of the highest standard in character and ability. We think that our four years at I.H.S. have at least helped us in becoming more intelligent and better citizens.



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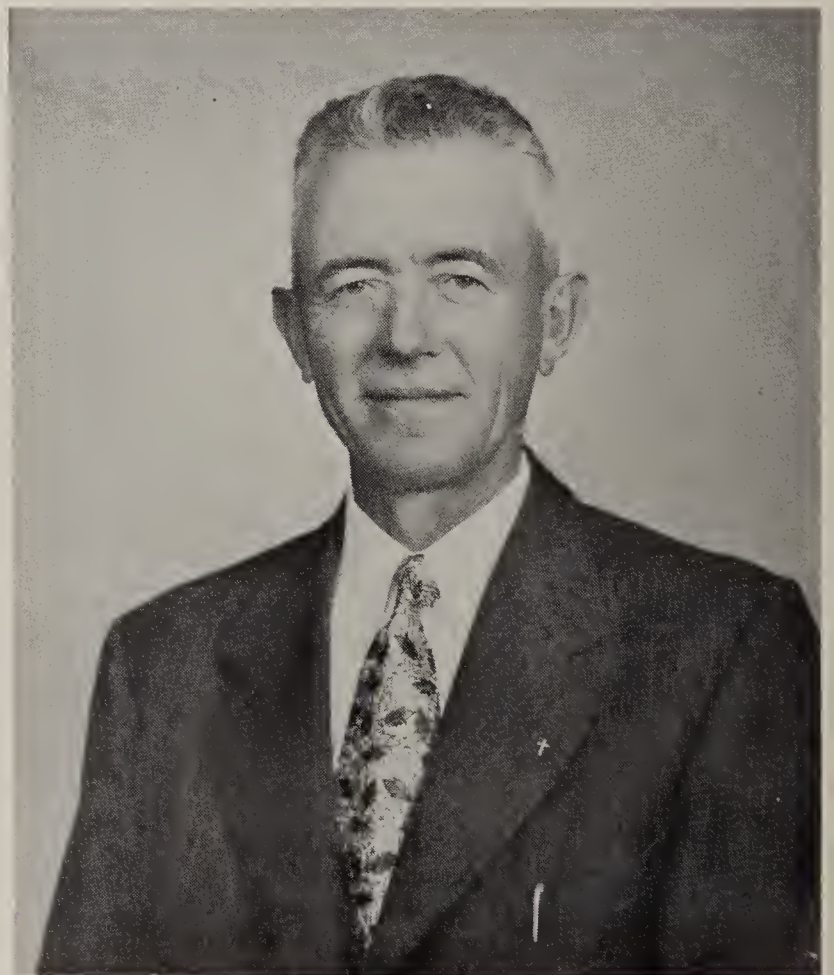
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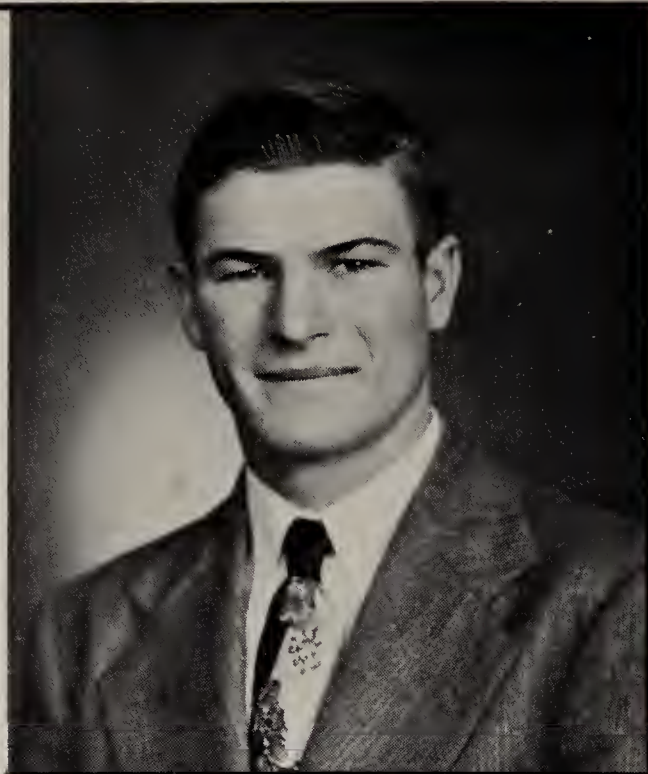
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Introducing Seniors



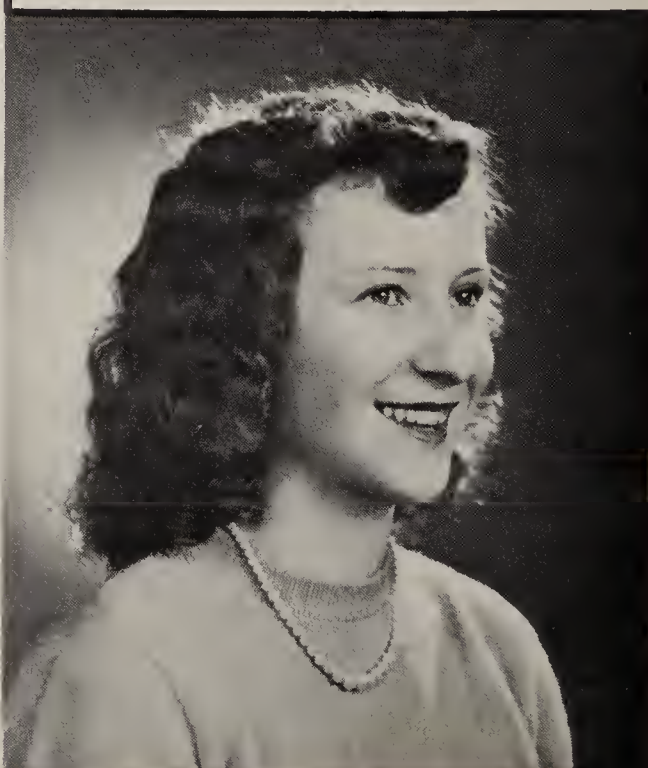
ANNA MAE SCHNAUS, Pres.
 "Living for enjoyment. Why not?
 That's worth-while."



FRANK SCHMITT, Vice-Pres.
 "Helpful in every way—Always
 with a smile."



MARY JAHN, Secy.
 "Quiet and well mannered; always
 working."



LILLIAN GOEPPNER, Treas.
 "Rippling blond hair—Goodness and
 mischief combined."



CAROL WAGNER

"Buzzing around—maybe a waste of time, but I like it."



MILLIE MEHRINGER

"Our queen; Friendly and contented."

PAT MORGAN

"Ambitious—Has some interest in Jasper."



ROSEMARYE BLESSINGER

"A sense of humor and wit. Well liked by everyone."





ALFRED BURGER

"Put off today what can be done tomorrow."



TONY TERWISKE

"Liked to do nothing best, but always cheerful."

Ideals

Teeth	Carol Wagner	Tommy Sermersheim
Hair	Lillian Goeppner	Jr. Himsel
Smile	Millie Mehringer	Frank Schmitt
Complexion	Patty Morgan	Alf Burger
Gracefulness	Mary Jahn	Tommy Hoffman
Friendliest	Rosie Blessinger	Jerome Buschkoetter
Eyes	Jeanie Murry	Tony Terwiske
Wittiest	Annie Schnaus	Jerry Wagner
Neatest	Betty Armstrong	Charles Wm. Mehringer
Intelligence	Gladys Schitter	Joe Jahn
Popular	Betty Rohleder	Melvin Sermersheim
Quietest	Gladys Ragle	Linus Jahn
Loudest	Frances Mehringer	Jim Weisheit
Luckiest	Esther Bartley	Morris Weidenbenner
Polite	Mitzie Gress	Paul Schitter
Best Looking	Lavonne Dillon	Tommy Kellams
Most Industrious	Martha Schnaus	Leland Durcholz
Ambitious	Millie Miller	Dale Durcholz
Figure	Geraldine Hoffman	Norb Mehringer
Best Athlete	Alma Sendelweck	Frank and Alf

Favorite Expressions

Alf Burger	"Another Test."
Frank Schmitt	"That's none of your business."
Tony Terwiske	"Mr. Lasher, it's time for the bell."
Carol Wagner	"Oh My Gosh."
Lillian Goeppner	"Are you kidding."
Millie Mehringer	"I'll never make it."
Mary Jahn	"That's just it, I don't know."
Pat Morgan	"You might know."
Annie Schnaus	"That's exciting."
Rosie Blessinger	"That makes me so mad."

Class History

In the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven there entered 17 green freshmen in the Ireland High School. They were all very green to the high school life.

Being timid and shy, we were led on by the class ahead of us. We soon got adjusted to high school life, and things began to buzz. We had election of class officers, and they were as follows: Patty Morgan, President; Millie Mehringer, Vice President; Marcella Stenftenagel, Treasurer; and Ray Werner, Secretary. Miss Anna Marie Schurig was appointed class sponsor.

By the time the first month of school was over, we received an invitation to initiation given by the Sophomores. It was held on October 2, 1947. We were very shy but attended it with great anxiety. Our next event was to give a return party to the Sophomores. It was decided at a meeting to give them a Valentines Party on February 14, 1947.

Our Freshmen class was proud to have Frank and Alf on the basketball line up. This brought our first year to an end with success. We were now looking forward to a few months of vacation. Although we were glad to have a vacation, we were very happy to return to school and take our position as Silly Sophomores. Ready for action, we elected class officers, who were as follows: Rose Mary Blessinger, President; Bob Sermersheim, Vice President; Pat Morgan, Treasurer; and Eddie Hopf, Secretary. Mr. Roy Allen was appointed class sponsor.

Our first class meeting was held during the latter part of September and we ordered our class sweaters. It was decided to have Kelly green with a green "I" trimmed in white with "51" written in white.

At our next meeting we set the date to give the Freshmen an invitation party. It was held on October 8, 1948. All Sophomores were very excited in preparing everything and everyone had a good time.

After our Initiation party, we got down to business until we had another social event. It was a return party given to us by the Freshmen. They gave us a wonderful party and we all had a fine time.

Our Sophomore class was proud to announce that Frank and Alf were on the basketball lineup. By this time we were again ready for vacation.

Enjoying our vacation very much, we entered our Junior year with great anxiety. This year there were ten jolly juniors. Class officers elected were as follows: Carol Wagner, President; Alf Burger, Vice President; Millie Mehringer, Treasurer; Lillian Goeppner, Secretary. Miss Jane Esray was appointed class sponsor.

Our next big event was the arrival of our class rings. We were proud of them and displayed them to everyone we saw.

On October 21, 1949 the Seniors entertained us by taking us to the Oakland City Drive-In to see the show "The Red Pony." Everyone enjoyed seeing it.

Class History, Cont'd.

We enjoyed a grand Christmas Party, and after that we thought about a suitable play to give. Finally it was decided to give "Sunbonnet Jane From Sycamore Lane." The entire Junior Class participated in it. Mr. Buechler was appointed play director, Mr. Allen assistant director. It was a great success.

The next outstanding event was the Junior-Senior Banquet which was held on April 18, 1950. Patricia Goeppner and Ray Merkley were crowned Queen and King.

The boys participating in sports were Frank and Alf on the first team.

All Juniors were ready for vacation after a busy year.

Again we entered school for the year 1950-51, realizing this would be our last year. Class officers were elected during the latter part of September. They were as follows: Annie Schnaus, President; Frank Schmitt, Vice President; Lillian Goeppner, Treasurer; and Mary Jahn, Secretary. Mr. Earl Buechler was appointed class sponsor.

The senior class sponsored a school dance and the Christmas Dance. Each one was a great success.

The basketball team was a successful one with Frank Schmitt and Alf Burger being co-captains. Tony Terwiske was student manager.

Our senior class play was the biggest success in history.

Mr. Buechler, our class sponsor, entertained us on the 17th of January with a chicken fry. Everyone had a wonderful time.

The last week of school the Seniors had four parties which were enjoyed by all and finally the time arrived for which we had been striving for 12 years. All decked out in caps and gowns we were a proud group of ten marching to the music of "Pomp and Circumstances." With our pride was mixed a slight sense of sorrow as we thought of all the teachers, classmates, assignments, and real good times we were leaving behind. It was the day of our commencement.

Weather Report

Rosemarye Blessinger	Fair
Alf Burger	Unsettled
Lillian Goeppner	Pleasant
Mary Jahn	Breezy
Millie Mehringer	Warm Wind
Pat Morgan	Cold Wind
Frank Schmitt	Stormy
Annie Schnaus	Sunny
Tony Terwiske	Blustering
Carol Wagner	Pleasant



Seniors Views

Frank Schmitt	Born February 19, 1933	Age 18
Hobbies	Hunting and Fishing	
Pet Gripe	School	
Favorite Food	T-Bone Steak	
Ambition	Farming	
Alf Burger	Born September 13, 1933	Age 17
Hobby	Study	
Pet Gripe	Oh heck, no car tonight	
Favorite Food	Dog Meat	
Ambition	Preaching	
Carol Wagner	Born September 14, 1933	Age 17
Hobby	Dancing	
Pet Gripe	Test	
Favorite Food	Fried chicken	
Ambition	Nursing	
Lillian Goepner	Born February 27, 1933	Age 18
Hobbies	Dancing and skating	
Pet Gripe	Test	
Favorite Food	Fried chicken	
Ambition	Typist	
Millie Mehringer	Born October 4, 1933	Age 17
Hobby	Collecting souvenirs	
Pet Gripe	Another test	
Favorite Food	Fried chicken	
Ambition	Typist	
Rosemarye Blessinger	Born November 24, 1933	Age 17
Hobby	Making scrapbooks	
Pet Gripe	Time to get up again	
Favorite Food	Steak and French Fries	
Ambition	Clerical Work	
Tony Terwiske	Born November 27, 1933	Age 17
Hobby	Celebrating	
Pet Gripe	No "spirits"	
Favorite Food	Cheeseburgers	
Ambition	Grease Monkey	
Mary Jahn	Born July 11, 1933	Age 17
Hobby	Reading	
Pet Gripe	I don't have any	
Favorite Food	Fried chicken	
Ambition	Nursing	
Annie Schnaus	Born July 10, 1933	Age 17
Hobby	Dancing	
Pet Gripe	Oh my hair	
Favorite Food	T-Bone Steak	
Ambition	Nursing	
Pat Morgan	Born October 24, 1933	Age 17
Hobby	Cleaning ditches	
Pet Gripe	Food again	
Favorite Food	Chicken	
Ambition	Typist	

Class Will

We, the class of '51, do hereby submit this our last will and testament; any former will is declared null and void; because we were not man and woman enough before to make a will anyway. This will has had the utmost consideration of and for all.

We will our sincerest thanks and appreciation to the faculty for all they have done for us.

Mary Jahn wills her study habits to her brother, Linus.
Annie Schnaus wills her government book to Viola Goepner.
Lillian Goepner wills her natural curly hair to Lucille Weisheit.
Millie Mehringer wills her honor of being basketball queen to some junior girl.
Carol Wagner wills her ability to pester teachers to Gladys Ragle.
Alf Burger wills his basketball ability to Tommy Schwenk.
Tony Terwiske wills his right to sleep in classes to Esther Bartley.
Annie Schnaus wills her witty ways to Elnora Gelhausen.
Millie Mehringer wills her blond hair to Gladys Schitter.
Alf Burger wills his height to Tommy Mehringer.
Lillian Goepner wills her mischievous ways in economics class to Mitzie Gress.
Frank Schmitt wills his smile to Mrs. Weaver.
Carol Wagner wills her seat in the senior row to Leland Durcholz.
Annie Schnaus wills her short hair to Jeanie Murry.
Pat Morgan wills her dark glasses to Jerome Buschkoetter.
Rosie Blessinger wills her ability with men to Virginia Weidenbenner.
Annie Schnaus wills her late Saturday nights to anyone who can stay awake that late.
Carol Wagner wills her "cutting the rug" ability to Raphael Ackerman.
Frank Schmitt wills his government grades to Paul Schitter.
Lillian Goepner wills her———OH! No she wouldn't do that.
Rosie Blessinger wills her cigarette lighter to no one.
Millie Mehringer wills her feminine ways to Betty Armstrong.
Mary Jahn wills her thoroughness to Jerry Wagner.
Millie Mehringer wills her complexion to Joe Jahn.
Pat Morgan wills her lipstick to Lucille Weisheit.
Annie Schnaus wills her smile and Ford to the Little Kentucky Garage.
Miss Kuebler wills her name to Bob.
Mr. Lasher wills his curly hair to Tom Kellams.
Mr. Buechler wills his height to Mary Catherine Bonifer.
Mrs. Weaver wills her bus rides to Frances Mehringer.
Mr. Allen wills his ability to eat to himself for next year.
Tony Terwiske wills his coming late to school to Tom Sermersheim.
Miss Roudenbush wills her kindness to anyone who needs it.
Mr. Tirey wills his picture he got from one of his students to his wife.
Frank Schmitt wills his sore feet to Mr. Allen.
Tony Terwiske wills his ability to type to Alma Sendelweck.
Mary Jahn wills her quiet ways to Frances Mehringer.
Alf Burger wills his ability to give artificial respiration to Morris Weidenbenner.
Patty Morgan wills her ability to argue to Betty Armstrong.
Mary Jahn wills her errors in typing to Miss Kuebler.
Millie Mehringer wills her height to Raphael Ackerman.
Rosie Blessinger wills her Sociology book to Millie Miller.
Tony Terwiske wills his talking ability to Emil Goepner.

Class Prophecy

Being a person who always likes to look ahead, I started looking for a so-called fortune teller. I always had a little hope for the class of '51—Mr. Lasher even did. In the last big carnival held in Ireland, I shopped around for a crystal ball “teller,” and sure enough, I found one. On the outer part of the big tent was a picture of Madame Patricia Marganrizo. I went inside only to find out that the madame was none other than Patty Morgan. In only one year she gained high renown in the field of the crystal ball. She told me later that she has told the fortune of such celebrities as Margaret Truman, Drew Pearson, and many others.

There was a large crowd to see Madame Patricia, but after finally my turn came, I inquired about the future of all the members of the class of '51. This was in 1970.

The madame first saw a man with a very distinguished look—a man of high intelligence. With much effort she was able to see that it was Frank Schmitt, who was the head of the ecology department at the University of Notre Dame.

Since Frank and Alf Burger were always together in school, I expected him to be also in the same profession; but to my surprise, he wasn't. He was traveling through the country in a covered wagon with his wife and thirteen children. His occupation was rather odd; he was a knife grinder. Alf seemed very content; after all he was successful in life.

All of a sudden the crystal ball cracked, shivered, and the madame went into a deep coma. I was wondering what happened and then she came out with it. In the new \$3,000,000 hospital just constructed in the suburbs of Ireland, Dr. Tony Terwiske was in charge. He had gained a high position in the field of medicine. He was one of the members on the Board of Governmental Health. He acted as special advisor on the newly adopted Socialized Medicine Program set up in this country. He first became interested in this program while he was still a senior.

Dr. Terwiske had as his able assistant, Nurse Rosie Blessinger. There was more than just mutual interest in their profession. The crystal became very foggy here but I was informed that they were engaged and were getting married. Rosie was chosen the nurse of the year back in 1957.

Then came in focus a young lady high in society. It was Millie Mehringer. She had married the man who owned half of Ireland. She amused herself mostly on her ranch where she had fifteen race horses. In 1959 her “Atom Bomb” won the Kentucky Derby. She spends all her winters in Florida. She is the envy of all the people in Ireland.

Class Prophecy, Cont'd.

With little trouble the ball showed another lady high in society. It concerned Carol Wagner. She owned half of all the millinery shops in the country. She really came into the business in her first marriage. Her deceased husband left her a large sum of money which she invested. Her business is slipping because of another interest. She has developed a special love for dogs and her pet has the name of "Bow Wow." She enters Bow Wow in all the kennel shows and walks away with top honors.

The crystal ball then changed to a beautiful rose and inside we saw Sister Lillian Goepner. Because of a severe blow received in her early life with her one and only love, she decided that she would become a nun. She took the name of Sister Roberta. She is teaching kindergarten classes at St. Roberts, the new parish in Ireland. Her affectionate disposition qualifies her well for this.

Mary Jahn came in view next. She was a very politically minded person. She has gained much esteem as a political leader. In 1962 she was candidate for United States Senator on the Socialist Party. One of the planks in her platform was to make it compulsory for every man to get married before nineteen years of age. Mary is doing her part too; she has been married six times already.

After this, Madame Patricia asked for her money but I refused. I told her that she had forgotten one member. The Madame informed me that the one remaining member's life was too involved and complicated for any picture to come in clear focus. She finally consented to telling me a few things. Of course it was all about Annie Schnaus.

Annie had really gotten around since she left high school. She gained her first world-wide popularity when she won the famous beer-drinking contest put on by the new beer company named "Bernie's Guggle-Guggle Special." She received as her reward for drinking twenty-eight mugs of beer, in thirty minutes, a trip around the world. While in England, she also won the world champion single tennis match; in fact, she also won the doubles playing single handed. She married Count Billvogela, a rich Count of Scotland, but his timidity was too much for her, and she only lived with him for two days and then divorced him. Among other important events, she was Honolulu queen of 1960, renowned toe dancer, opera singer (better than Margaret), and many others.

Because of so many people coming in for business, Madame Marganrizo told me to leave. She was very moderate in her fee—only \$79.00 for all of this material.

As you can see, the class of 1951 distinguished itself in more than one way.

As a final prophecy, we, the class of '51, predict that Ireland High School will never be surpassed in producing graduates of the highest caliber. Teachers, school, and students will always be tops.



Introducing Underclassmen



Junior Class

RAPHAEL ACKERMAN "The tall blond 'happy-go-lucky' boy who is the information center of our class."

LELAND DURCHOLZ "The new boy we welcome from Illinois—who has already become a genuine friend of all."

VIOLA GOEPPNER "The quiet girl until you know her. 'Ollie' is the favorite of all."

MILDRED HULSMAN "The mischievous-girl who gives all her pep for a good time."

MILLIE MILLER "The girl you can count on. That's the kind of girl we all envy."

NORBERT MEHRINGER "The tall, dark, and mischievous lad who gives all to basketball."

BETTY ROHLEDER "The sweet girl who is always smiling."

PAUL SCHITTER "A favorite of the boys as well as girls."

NANCY SCHWENK "The shy girl but with the right amount of liveliness."

ALMA SENDELWECK "The friendly girl who also has an ample supply of knowledge."

TOM SERMERSHEIM "A swell guy that has a way with the girls."

MORRIS WEIDENBENNER "The all around guy who has a way with the basketball."

MITZIE GRESS "A girl with great ambition and ability to carry them out. Some interest belongs to C. T."

BETTY ARMSTRONG "Bubbling with personality and character supreme. She'll go places."



Sophomores

JIM WEISHEIT—The boy with an innocent look when mischief is afoot.

LUCILLE WEISHEIT—Blondie—she's dynamite.

HELEN SERMERSHEIM—She finds everything funny.

GLADYS RAGLE—Quiet, until someone starts teasing her.

ELENORA GELHAUSEN—She has a fair complexion until a certain boy comes around.

MARY CATHERINE BONIFER—Always waiting for a phone call.

ESTHER BARTLEY—Likes cars, especially green ones. She also has other interests.

MARTHA SCHNAUS—The Ford Girl. She too, has other interests.

JEROME BUSCHKOETTER—Marriage has its pains, but a bachelor's life has no pleasures.

JEANIE MURRY—The girl who is always bragging about Chevrolet cars.

MELVIN SERMERSHEIM—Argue, argue, and argue some more, but his opinion is the same as before.

TOM KELLAMS—He never troubles trouble, until trouble troubles him.

JERRY WAGNER—Sometimes he's wise, sometimes otherwise.

TOM HOFFMAN—Always day dreaming in class.

JUNIE HIMSEL—Always talking, yet never saying anything.



Freshmen

SHIRLEY BRESCHER—Nice, but full of spice.

LAVONNE DILLON—Always talking but never says anything worth while.

MARY LOU DURCHOLZ—Fickle and gigglish, but a nice girl to know.

EMIL GOEPPNER—Likes girls but doesn't admit it.

JACKIE HAYES—Has excellent discipline, we should have more of him.

GERALDINE HOFFMAN—Humming square dance tunes all the time.

DALE DURCHOLZ—A new member, but fits in perfectly.

JOE JAHN—Nice physique and brainy too.

LINUS JAHN—Bashful but always getting into mischief.

CHARLES MEHRINGER—The Romeo of the class.

FRANCES MEHRINGER—Has an eye on certain boys and vice-versa.

THOMAS MEHRINGER—Always hiding behind somebody's back in class.

CHARLES MENDEL—Wouldn't be himself without his hat.

VICTOR PFAFF—Always with a smile and can amuse himself.

SYLVESTER ROHLEDER—He's witty and a nice boy to have in our class.

DAVIS SCHITTER—One eye on his studies and the other on girls.

GLADYS SCHITTER—Straight A student, but mischievous just the same.

THOMAS SCHWENK—How could we have a class without a Tommy.

MARLENE VONDERHEIDE—Will make a good wife for some nice boy.

VIOLA WEHR—The Juliet of the class.

VIRGINIA WEIDENBENNER—Her interests lie further than the Freshman class.



Grades 5-8

Grades 1-4



We Wonder Why

Resie Blessinger doesn't have such studious ways this year.
Viola Goeppner likes the color of green for a car.
Melvin Sermersheim talks so much and yet never says anything.
Jeanie Murry named her dog "Duke."
Mary Jahn never goes anywhere.
Lillian Goeppner is always so happy-go-lucky.
Annie Schnaus thinks a home in Little Kentucky is "Just Ducky."
Woody Buechler had such a good time with Lois.
Frances Mehringer is always so loud.
The Freshmen Girls always talk in study hall.
Jerry Wagner is so mischievous, is it that he takes after Carol?
Junie Himsel is so enthusiastic about basketball.
Mitzie Gress gets so excited at basketball—especially Dubois.
Millie Miller likes to drive a certain Chevrolet.
Woody Buechler says "only one minute" during study hall.
Mary Jahn is always so quiet.
The Boys always make comments about Miss Kuebler's car.
Tony Terwiske doesn't like to study.
Patty Morgan's face lights up when the name Jim is mentioned.
Mr. Lasher always gives the Seniors unexpected Government tests.
Millie Mehringer likes to drive Chevrolets.
Lillian Goeppner's face brightens when a certain car whistles by.
Frank Schmitt likes to hear the song "Mary Lou."
Mrs. Weaver never talks to the Senior Girls.
The Junior Boys always spent their study hall period typing.
Annie Schnaus is so anxious to listen to the Jasper ball games.
Lillian Goeppner and Carol Wagner came in laughing after selling annual ads.
Rosie Blessinger doesn't go to Bretzville any more.
Patty Morgan always gets the Pontiac.
Alma Sendelweck was so mad at Bretzville one Saturday night.
Alf Burger spends his spare time on Dewey Street.
Frank Schmitt is so mischievous in Bookkeeping Class.
Leland Durcholz watches Miss Kuebler so closely.
So many Junior Girls know so much about College.
Carol Wagner likes to wear a certain scarf.
Charles Mehringer always talks to some certain Freshman Girls.
There is competition between Viola Goeppner and Alma Sendelweck about a certain boy.
Betty Armstrong is always writing letters in Study Hall.
Jerome Bushkoetter is always teasing Mr. Lasher.
Joe Jahn likes to ride on the bus to basketball games.
Millie Mehringer always stops at Ireland Motor Sales to have her car checked.
Tony Terwiske put on five coats in study hall, was it because Betty wasn't there?
Mildred Hulsman is so interested in Evansville College.
Alf Burger likes the color of red.
Viola Wehr prays for fair weather when we have ball games.
Miss Kuebler never comes to school early.
Mr. Lasher came to school late one morning.
Mr. Allen sniffs while walking up and down the halls.
Mr. Tirey has to stop so many times on the way home.
The Starting Five like to take the Panel Truck to ball games.
Annie Schnaus doesn't become an auto mechanic.



Activities



Basketball Queen

Miss Millie Mehringer, a senior, was crowned 1950-51 Basketball Queen of Ireland High School, November 15, 1950. She was crowned by Co-Captains Alf Burger and Frank Schmitt. The queen was attended by her Maid of Honor, Miss Anna Mae Schnaus.

Fall Festival Queen

Miss Lillian Goeppner, a senior, was crowned Fall Festival Queen of 1950-51 at Huntingburg on December 9, 1950. She was elected by the student body. She was the recipient of many lovely and useful gifts.





Basketball Queen and Court

Miss Millie Mehringer was crowned 1950-51 Basketball Queen by Co-Captains Alf Burger and Frank Schmitt on November 15, 1950.

Miss Annie Schnaus was the queen's maid of honor. Other attendants were: Millie Miller, Viola Goeppner, Elnora Gelhausen, Esther Bartley, Virginia Weidenbenner, and Shirley Bresher.

The stage was beautifully decorated with green and white. Ten large bouquets of flowers and ferns added to the decorations. The crowning was sponsored by Mr. Buechler and the senior class. The crown bearer was little Miss Connie Leinenbach and the ball bearer was Samuel Small. The Spuds put a final decoration to the elaborate crowning by winning the ball game from Tennyson for the queen, 59 to 57.

THE FOLLOWING ARE QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED IN THE ADS
GO FIND THEM

1. How tall is Woody Buechler?
2. What year was Ireland High School built?
3. How many desks are in the big assembly in Ireland High School?
4. What did Mr. Lasher do with the door knob that he pulled off the door?
5. How many months has Annie Schnaus had her dark glasses?
6. In what seat and in which row did Pattie Morgan sit in her last year of school?
7. What is Mr. Tirey's wife's first name?
8. What did Rosie Blessinger get from Bob for Christmas?
9. Who is sponsor of the Irish Gazette?
10. Who got the biggest Christmas present?
11. What is "The Thing"?
12. When is Woody's birthday?
13. What color is Tony Terwiske's typewriter?
14. Who always goes by and honks the horn during the study hall before dinner?
15. What color is Woody's car?
16. How long has Mr. Allen been married?
17. How many students started in our class as Freshmen?
18. At whose house did we have so much fun when we worked on our annual?
19. What is Miss Kuebler's middle name?
20. Who was in the Home Ec. room popping corn for the Dubois game and wore funny aprons?
21. What is Mr. Allen's middle name?
22. Who gave us all our advice to make up our annual?
23. What shade lipstick does Pattie Morgan use?
24. What was Tony's excuse for being late for school?
25. Where does Rosie Blessinger park?
26. Where is Mrs. Weaver's home?
27. Who's very dangerous with a gun?
28. Which of the "Spuds" does Annie Schnaus like best?
29. Who drove Miss Kuebler's car to get ads for the school paper?
30. Who's laying off highballs?
31. Who likes to annoy Miss Kuebler?
32. What time does Mr. Allen go to sleep after a ball game?
33. Why is Woody being extra good to Tony lately?
34. At which store does Miss Kuebler do her shopping?
35. What happened to Tony's car?
36. What size shoe does Jerry Wagner wear?
37. Why does Woody smoke Chesterfields?
38. What sport did Mr. Lasher excel in when he was young?
39. Who typed this page and had fun doing it?
40. Who was the photographer for the annual?
41. What brand of cigarette does Mr. Allen smoke?
42. Who is the sleeping beauty of the senior class?
43. Who almost got knocked out at school by the candy machine?
44. Why did the senior girls quit smoking?
45. Who were the two boys attending an annual meeting?
46. Why is Tony taller when he stands on his head?
47. How many children does Mrs. Weaver have?
48. Who had coke bottles in his trousers?
49. Who's grandfather's picture is in the annual?
50. How many hours were spent in making this annual?



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We, the staff of the Irishite, want to take this opportunity to thank all those people who made it possible for us to publish this annual. We are especially grateful to our advertisers, who helped financially, Jim Hoffman, the photographer, the faculty for their cooperation, the students, Mrs. Albert Schnaus, Mr. Swinney the publisher, Mr. Buechler for his advice, and anyone else who helped us in publishing the annual. We hope that in it we have conquered all the important school events of 1950-51. It took many hours of tedious work and planning, but we think that the final product will speak for itself.



Irish Gazette

This has been a bigger and better year for the Irish Gazette. There have been monthly editions which have shown much work on the part of the sponsor and the staff. The paper was sponsored by the Junior and Senior Classes under the direction of Miss Kuebler. The staff was selected by the faculty. The staff is as follows:

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Library Staff

The Library has seen a complete revamping this year. Among some of the changes was the introduction of the duodecimal system of numbering all the books; a card catalogue including the author and title card has been introduced. To the collection of books already available have been added modern and up to date fiction and non fiction. A few price collections have also been added; as a result there has been more interest shown in the library by the students according to Mr. Buechler.

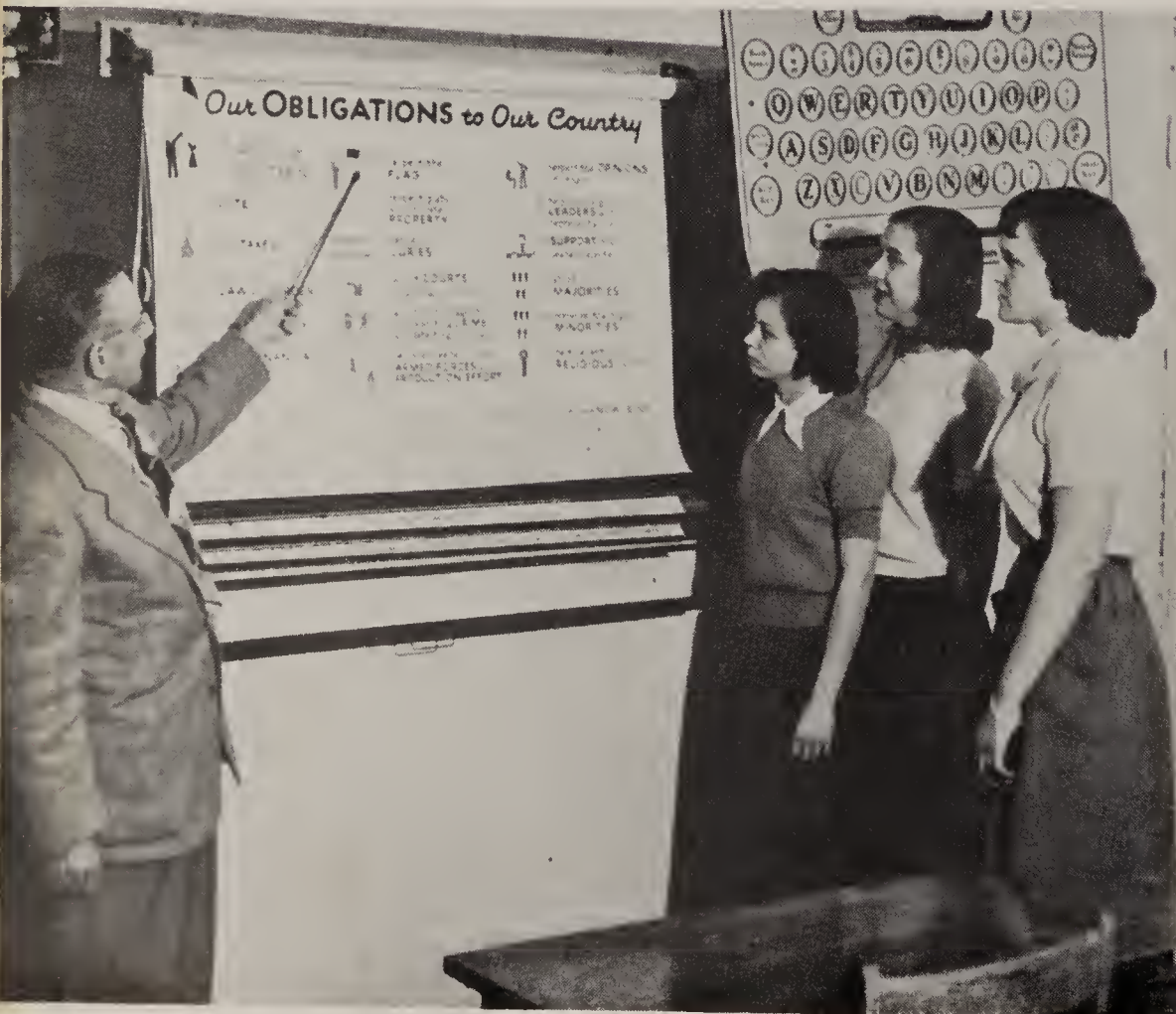
Mr. Buechler, the librarian, has ably been assisted by his assistant librarians, Millie Miller, Mitzie Gress and Betty Armstrong. They have given much of their time and effort in making a bigger and better library for the students.

They are also planning to bring in more non-fiction and reference material in the near future. The library staff and students are partly indebted to Mr. Allen for making it possible to buy many of these books. It was through the pie and box supper that much of this was made possible.



SOCIAL AND ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT

The Sociology and Economics Department is headed by the faculty member, Mr. Buechler. Only Seniors are in both classes. Interesting field trips, special assignments, lectures, and discussions made up most of the time.



SOCIAL STUDIES

The government class by Mr. Lasher stresses mainly functions, general makeup, and appreciation of our government. No class is more important than government in such trying days as these.

HOME ECONOMICS

The Home Ec. classes have as their main purposes to prepare students to become good housewives. The department is headed by Mrs. Francis Weaver.



SCIENCE

Our science department has seen many changes in the past year. A new microscope, many species of animals, and slides have been added. Biology and health are taught by Mr. Buechler.





COMMERCE

To make future secretaries and bookkeepers out of the students is Miss Kuebler's primary objective in her commerce subjects. The students also receive much practical knowledge of budgeting, etc., in these classes.



MATHEMATICS

Math. is one of the three R's that have been taught from almost the beginning of education. The Math. is capably directed by Mr. Lasher. It is not unusual to find two students arguing about some geometric problem.

ENGLISH

Although we think of English as a grammar course, much other interesting work is involved. Public speaking, debates, book reports, literature, drama, story-telling, and much other material is presented in an English class. Miss Kuebler, Mrs. Weaver, and Mr. Buechler teach the English classes.



HISTORY

All History is under the auspices of Mr. Allen. His wide experiences in travel and in reading make him an excellent teacher of these subjects. He holds the complete interest of all of his students the full hour with his timely gestures and interesting presentation.





Senior Class Play

The Senior Class again turned in a superb performance in presenting "Cracked Nuts." Performing before a packed house, all characters were portrayed magnificently from Confusion Jones to Mrs. Devesel—pardon me, Mrs. De Weese. The southern accent of Magnolia, the brogue of Mrs. Garfinkle, and the colored people were especially wonderful. Pete, Billy, Peggy and Ginger, college students, managed to keep everybody in dithers during the whole show.

The comedy included such odd peculiarities as hypnotic people, octopus and many other hair raising events. This was considered one of the finest class plays that ever was presented in Ireland High School. The play was again under the direction of Mr. Earl Buechler and assisted by Mr. Roy Allen. The cast and the directors were also honored by being special guests of the Evansville College Thespians during one of their presentations of "Macbeth."



Junior Class Play

The Junior Class presented a comedy that kept the audience in an uproar from start to finish. The packed house had nothing but favorable comment, concerning all members of the cast and director.

The peculiar situations that the so called "Family" got themselves into have been unequalled in any other play.

The play was another example of the excellent work the Juniors have been doing. After a slow start, the Juniors buckled down and with night and Sunday afternoon practices, they were able to do the nice job they did.

Mrs. Weaver was chosen sponsor, and with her experience was able to do a very nice job.

Social Activities

The first social event of the school year of 1950-51 was the pie and box social. All the girls were required to bring a pie or box. This social was a great success and was enjoyed by all who attended. There was also a short skit given by a few students of each class. The proceeds went to the miscellaneous fund.

On October 18 the Sophomores entertained the Freshmen with an initiation party. Even though the Freshmen were scared, they enjoyed it very much and definitely will remember the bananas.

Our next event was the theatre party given the middle of October to the Juniors by the Seniors. They were entertained at the Drive Inn Theater with a western movie. After the show a delicious lunch was served at Sakel's Drive Inn Restaurant.

In the first part of November, the Junior class held a school dance. It was well attended by the students. The dance was a great success.

The next beautiful scene which took place in the Ireland Community Gym was the crowning of the basketball queen. Millie Mehringer was crowned queen and Annie Schnaus was her maid of honor. This event took place November 15, 1950. Miss Mehringer was crowned by Co-Captains Schmitt and Burger. Another queen of Ireland High School was Lillian Goeppner who was chosen by the student body. She was queen of Ireland at the Huntingburg Fall Festival. She received many lovely and useful gifts.

Our next social event was our annual Christmas party which was sponsored by the Seniors. The hall was beautifully decorated in the Christmas colors and a large tree. A short skit was given by the Seniors followed by dancing. Santa then came and distributed the gifts.

On December 21, 1950, the night of the Ireland-Stendal game, Mrs. Weaver and Miss Kuebler sponsored a Christmas Drill. The Physical Ed. class participated in it.

Ireland was host to a blind tourney on New Years Day. The teams participating in the tourney were Otwell, Spurgeon, Oil Township, and Ireland. Otwell won the trophy.

Mr. Buechler entertained the Seniors with a chicken fry at his home. The evening was spent in dancing and singing.

The annual Junior and Senior Prom was another event which was enjoyed by every one attending. Delicious food and excellent entertainment were enjoyed by everyone.

Senior week commenced with a party at Spring Mill State Park followed by many other parties which taxed everyone to the utmost financially, physically, and spiritually. Finally the day came that we all looked forward to, but now regret—Commencement Day.



SENIOR PARTY

The picture you see at the left was taken at one of our many parties held during the course of the year. The Seniors were host to many of these parties. The bigger and better Christmas Party held included a Christmas play, games, Santa Claus, exchange of gifts and many other things.

The faculty, believing that the social part of education too is very important, chaperoned all the parties.



DEBATE CLUB

This was the first year as far as the staff knows that Ireland High School has had a debate club. Due to lack of experience and available reference, the debates were limited mainly to intra club debates. The Club did participate in one major event—debating during the Coca-Cola Radio Program. The sponsor, Mr. Buechler, stated that he was highly satisfied with the club's work in the first year.

President of the Club is Marita Gress and Secretary-Treasurer is Mildred Miller.

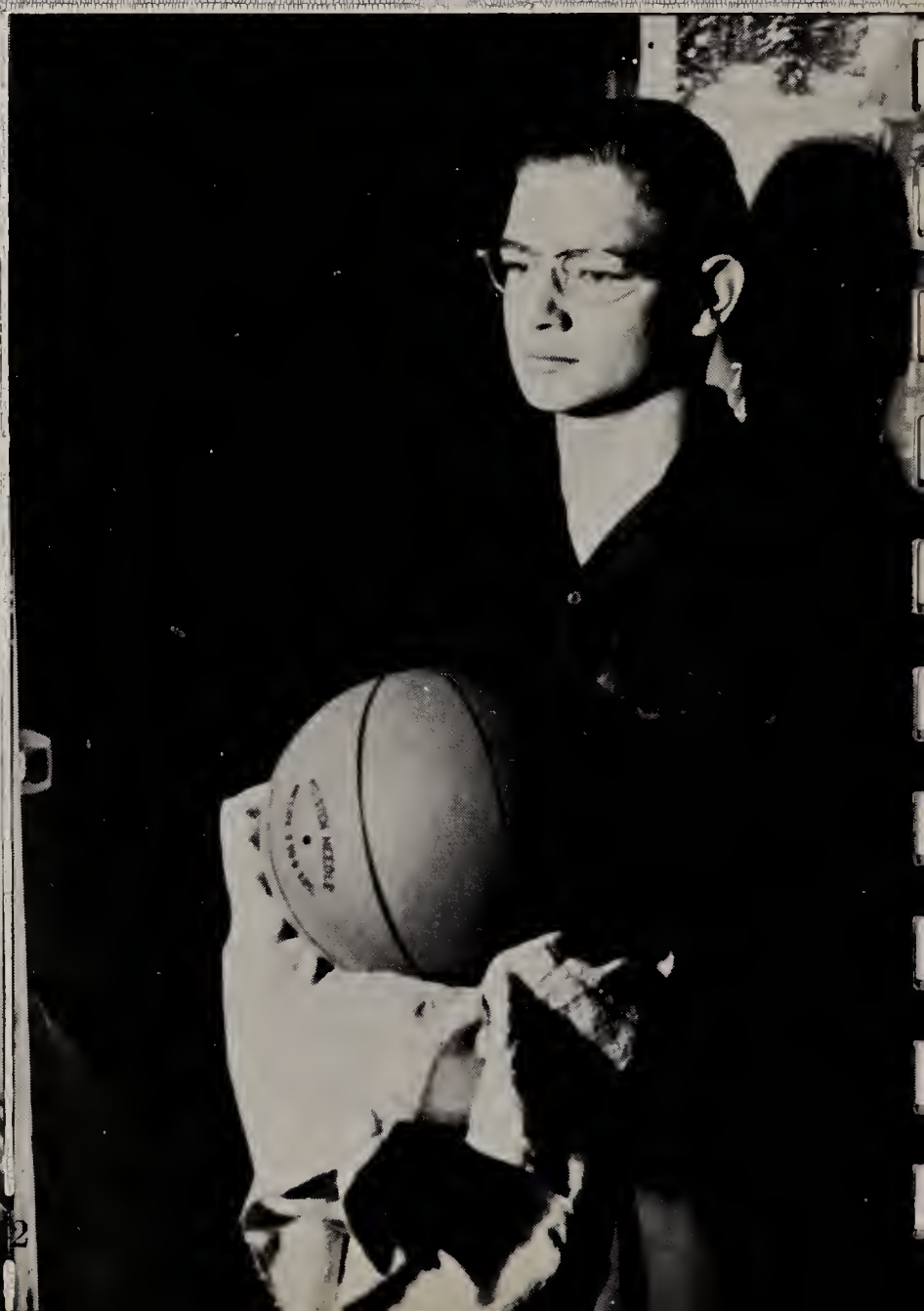
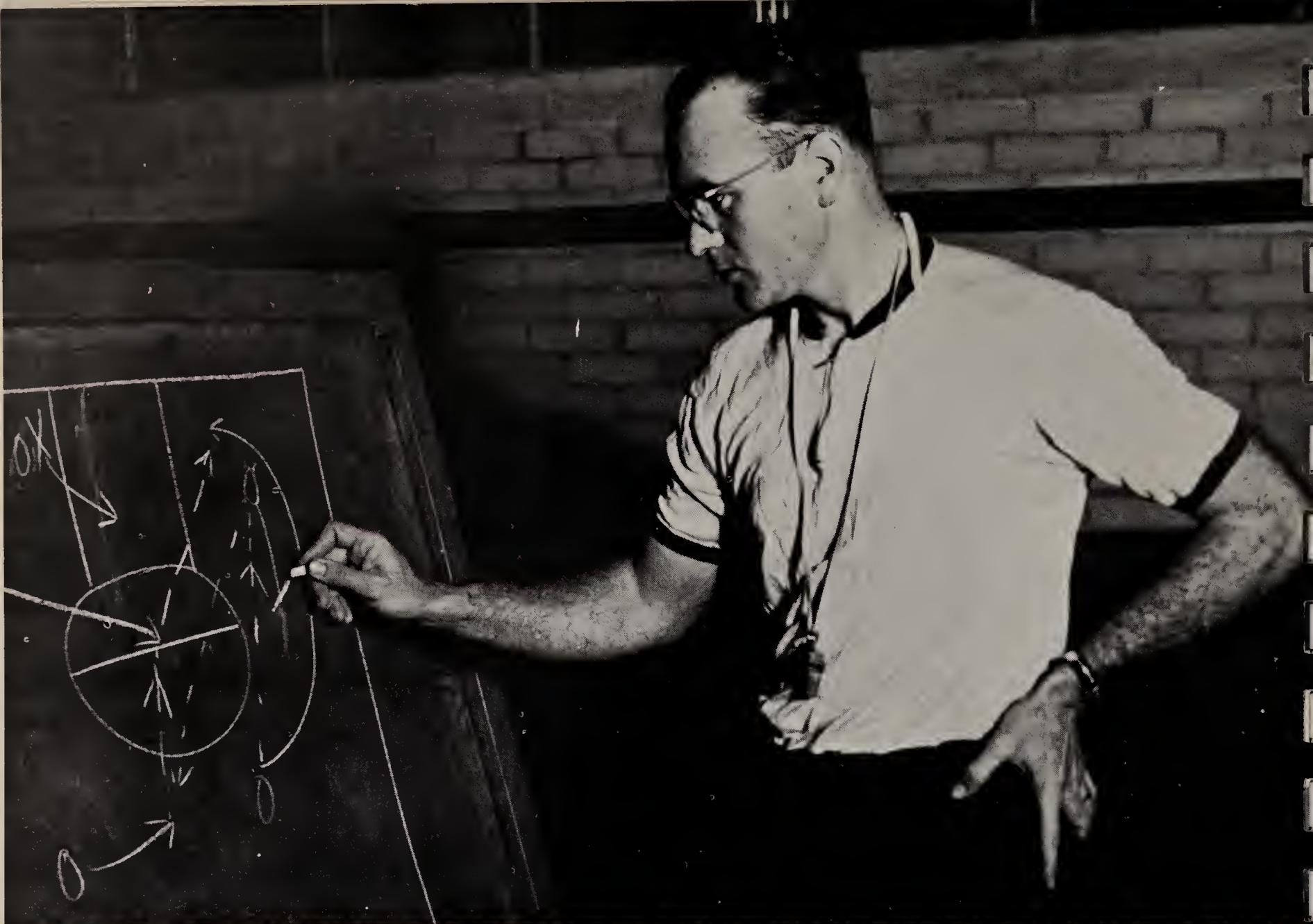


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COACH ALLEN

Mr. Allen, coach at I. H. S. has become a familiar figure on the bench at all Spud ball games. He has guided and directed the Spuds for the last five years, and certainly has attained an excellent win record of .750 during this time. He has proven himself as a coach even more so this past season with a tougher schedule. We are indeed proud of having Mr. Allen as coach.

He not only filled his position as a good coach, but he also teaches social studies and physical education. His fine character and witty personality are familiar with all students. His hair is becoming a little thinner every year, but he comes up with a winning team consistently. His untiring efforts and long hours of extra work have paid off. As coaches should feel, he believes there is more in basketball than just winning ball games. One of his great objects is to mold young men into future citizens who will also be on the winning side. The staff wishes Roy the best of luck in future years as Spud coach.

"MR. BUECHLER"

If there is any one person that can be pointed to as an aid to the team's success, then point to Mr. Earl Buechler. Mr. Buechler, when employed at the Ireland High was not assigned to athletic duties. However his interest in the school has gone much farther than the class-room. He helps the coach in many ways, such as helping with the reserves, scouting and also by his moral support. Many thanks and good luck to the assistant coach, Mr. Buechler.

"TONY"

Anthony "Tony" Terwiske was assistant student manager during his sophomore year and this makes his second year as student manager. In this capacity Tony is well liked by the players and coach. He helps in many ways and part of the team's success can be attributed to his efficiency. With Tony as manager, the equipment is always in place. We think Tony likes helping to play nursemaid to the team. This is his last year as manager and he has an under-study (Jerome Buschkoetter) who will take his place next year.



ALF

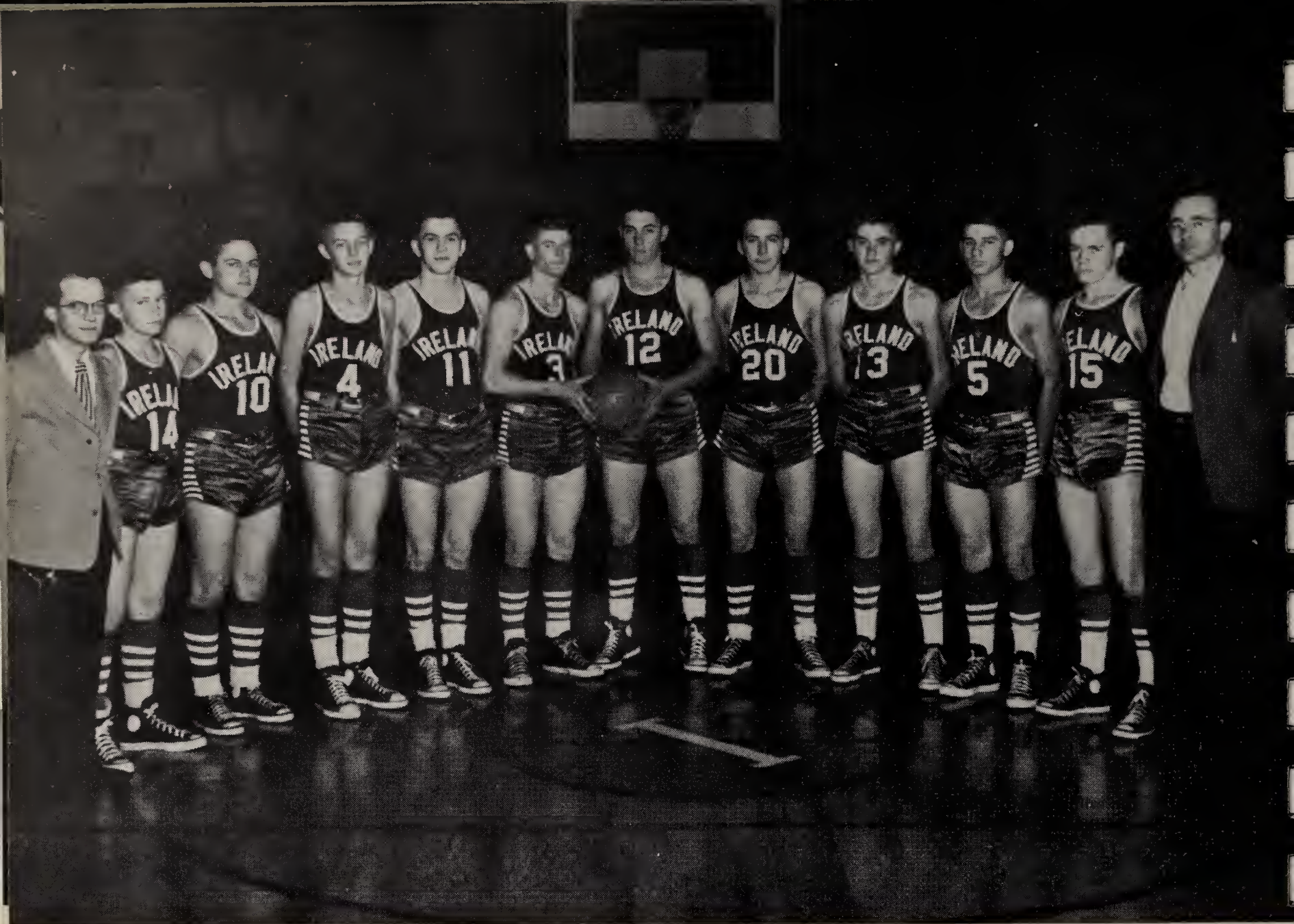
"Alf" Burger, a senior, has played basketball all his four years of high school. As a freshman he played in the center position and occasionally at forward. In his sophomore year he subbed at center and forward. As a junior Alf made center on the first team and it was here he began to shine. No doubt many of the team's victories were assured because of him. In his senior year Alf was again in the center position. His playing ability was outstanding. In many games he had the honor of having two guards assigned to him. The school will lose an excellent ball player and a fine fellow this year.

FRANK

Frank Schmitt, better known as Schmitty, has played four years on the high school basketball team. As a freshman he was a forward on the reserve team. When Schmitty was a sophomore, he subbed in the forward position on the first team. As a junior he made the starting five on the first team as a guard. It was here he began to impress the fans with his ability to fast-break. In his senior year Frank really came into his own. All the opposing coaches and teams have a great respect for his speed and his ability to break through. The school will also lose a swell fellow and a great ball player when Schmitty graduates.







First Team

Players left to right: Assistant Coach "Woody" Buechler, Himself, Sermersheim, Schitter, Mehringer, Co-Captains Schmitt and Burger, Hoffman, Weisheit, Wiedenbenner, Kellams, Coach Roy Allen.

The Ireland Spuds under the efficient tutoring of Coach Allen, have experienced another successful year in the popular round ball sport. Decked out in their colorful green and white uniforms, the Spuds made a good impression upon the fans. They left a stronger impression on most of the opponents after coming out on the long end of the score.

Twenty boys came out for practice on October 1. With these young men Coach Allen molded his first and second team. Having lost six of his first ten from the previous year, Mr. Allen had quite a job cut out for him. After a considerable time and experimenting, Mr. Allen came up with a formable squad. Burger, Schmitt, and Weidenbenner were the stalwarts and the other positions were shifted considerably with his young and inexperienced members. Much credit is due to Mr. Allen, Mr. Buechler, and the team. They have been another successful team in the history of the Ireland Spuds.

Statistics

Team Record	OP	I
Troy	53	41
Alfordsville	34	48
Tennyson	57	59
Odon	49	39
Mackey	34	48
Dubois	60	58
Oil Township	57	48
Epsom	30	57
English	67	46
Stendal	42	55
Otwell	41	38
Plainville	71	58
Dubois	43	42
Elnora	46	50
Chrisney	56	50
Spurgeon	68	45
Alfordsville	54	70
Epsom	22	83
Total Points	884	925
Sectional:		
Jasper	49	29

Individual Record:	Pos.	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hoffman	F	39	20	64	98
Weidenbenner	F	83	59	61	225
Burger	C	123	64	61	310
Schmitt	G	70	51	79	191
Kellams	G	19	7	32	45
Sermersheim	G	26	9	36	61
Schitter	G	24	12	34	60
Mehringer	F	10	12	47	32
Wagner	F	0	0	0	0
Himsel	G	1	1	0	3



Second Team

First row, left to right: Junie Himsel, Joe Jahn, Sylvester Rohleder, Thomas Mehringer, Davis Schitter, and Melvin Sermersheim.

Second row: Coach Allen, Charles Mehringer, Jerry Wagner, Victor Pfaff, Charles Mendel, Jim Weisheit, and Assistant Coach Buechler.

	I	Op.
Troy	11	16
Alfordsville	25	28
Tennyson	41	33
Odon	36	38
Mackey	18	34
Dubois	28	29
Oil Township	34	37
Epsom	30	25
English	30	32
Stendal	40	38
Otwell	42	37
Plainville	28	33
Dubois	28	37
Elnora	25	20
Chrisney		
Spurgeon		
Alfordsville		
Epsom		



Cheerleaders



BUSHY and [unclear]



IRANI



Girls Physical Education

Contrary to the opinion of most people's thinking, the girls Physical Ed Department plays a big part in school life. Among some of the events the department participated in were the Christmas program put on between basketball games, school programs, contests and other events. The high light was the excellent Christmas program presented during the Ireland versus Stendal ball game.

Miss Kuebler, the girls physical director, has instilled a new interest in girl's sports.

Some new equipment was purchased for the use of the girls this year among which was a net stand and a volleyball.



Jokes

Mr. Lasher (Meeting his son on the campus): "Good afternoon Robert, and how is your father today?"

"Here, Alf you can't hit that boy when he's down." '

"G'wan. What do you think I got him down for?"

Henrietta: "You—you forger, you."

Roy: "Why, dear, what do you mean?"

Henrietta: "You hiked the price-tag on my birthday present."

Teacher: "What's the definition of the word dieting?"

Pupil: "The triumph of mind over platter."

Annie: "How did that bad little brother of yours get hurt?"

Carol: "That good little brother of yours hit him with a brick."

Patty: "So you and Bob are getting married. I thought it was a mere flirtation."

Rosie: "So did he."

Carol, the farmer's daughter, was milking a cow when the bull suddenly charged toward her across the meadow; Carol did not move. Summer boarders who had dashed to safety saw to their astonishment that the bull stopped within a few yards of Carol then turned and walked meekly away.

"Weren't you afraid" someone asked the girl.

"No I wasn't, but I'll bet he was," Carol laughed. "You see this cow is his mother-in-law."

Tony: "Teacher, there is something badly wrong."

Miss Kuebler: "What's wrong?"

Tony: "It's my report card."

Miss Kuebler: "There's nothing wrong with it."

Tony: "Yes there is, these grades on my report card also make a bad reflection on you."

A young college woman working on the census in a small southern town found a young mother rocking her child on the porch. "How many children have you, Mrs. Jones?" she inquired. "Only four," replied the mother. "A lap baby, a po'ch baby, a yard baby, and a shirttail baby."

The big traffic cop glared at his most recent victim, then said with a half apologetic grin, "Oh so you're a minister, don't tell me you didn't see that stop sign."

"Well no officer," replied the parson. "I saw the stop sign all right. The thing is, I didn't see you."

I'll Never Forget

MILLIE MEHRINGER—The wonderful night I was crowned Basketball Queen.

MARY JAHN—The four happy years I spent in Ireland High School.

PATTY MORGAN—The time we got in a ditch.

ROSE MARY BLESSINGER—The day I saw a big league baseball game.

ANNIE SCHNAUS—The night I was Maid of Honor for the basketball queen of 1950-51.

FRANK SCHMITT—The wonderful English Classes I spent with the English teachers.

ALF BURGER—The time I kissed Millie Mehringer when I crowned her Queen.

TONY TERWISKE—The times I didn't sleep in Government or Economics classes.

LILLIAN GOEPPNER—The week-end I spent at Chicago.

CAROL WAGNER—The time we had Miss Kuebler's Chevrolet to get ads.

TONY TERWISKE—The time I quit school and started again the next day.

FRANK SCHMITT—The time I missed that foul shot in the Dubois game at Dubois.

ROSIE BLESSINGER—The time Tony and I danced behind the stage.

ALF BURGER—The time I helped the girls pop popcorn for the Dubois ball game.

PATTY MORGAN—The ride I had with Alf Burger when we looked for a Christmas tree.

ANNIE SCHNAUS—I'll never forget all our annual meetings.

FRANK SCHMITT—The time Mr. Lasher caught Alf and I in the gym.

CAROL WAGNER—The time I was selected editor of our annual.

MILLIE MEHRINGER—The time Lillian took a ring out of my sweater pocket.

LILLIAN GOEPPNER—The time I was elected Queen for the Huntingburg Fall Festival.

FRANK SCHMITT—The tourney at Ireland on New Year's Day.

TONY TERWISKE—The time I came home from the Epsom ball game.

MARY JAHN—The three weeks I could not attend school.

ALF BURGER—The time I stopped on the railroad track.

ANNIE SCHNAUS—The time Mr. Allen tried to throw me into Ferdinand Lake at The Ferdinand Forest.

CAROL WAGNER—The New Year's Dance at the Schnitz. Oh Boy!

MILLIE MEHRINGER—The way I sang at our Christmas Party.

MILLIE MEHRINGER, LILLIAN GOEPPNER and ANNIE SCHNAUS will never ever forget the day we took the proofs to town for the annual.

FRANK SCHMITT—The night of our Junior Class Play.

ALFRED BURGER—The typing classes with Mrs Kuebler.

TONY TERWISKE—New Year's Eve at the Calumet Lake.

MILLIE MEHRINGER—The time Lillian and Annie laughed at me while I was driving on the icy roads.

CAROL WAGNER—The part I played in our play at the Christmas party.

MARY JAHN—The time I fell up the steps.

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